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# *FSC Certification and the need for wood identification tools*

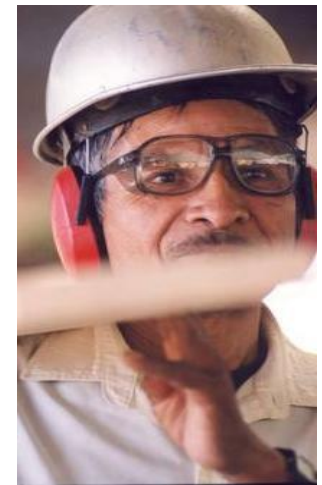
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- 1,471 Forests certified in over 50 countries
- 194,210,106 ha of forests certified
- 2044 active species registered in the FSC database
- 31,854 Chain of Custody certificates



## FSC's fiber testing program:

- Fiber testing to deter fraud as a quality control/quality assurance measure;
- Procedures to investigate questionable results and appropriately respond to those results.
- Determine the capacity of fiber testing to provide additional quality control and quality assurance;
- Determine how fiber testing can be integrated into FSC chain of custody system;
- Contribute and support the development of new technologies



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FSC collaboration with leading labs

USFS Forest Products Laboratory

- Global testing program with a focus on high-risk products
- Investigating and testing the feasibility of different technologies and how they might be part as part of he FSC chain-of-custody system.



## FSC collaboration with leading labs

### Agroisolib

- Investigating where isotope testing can be best applied
- Stable isotopes and fiber testing in CoC
- Build a reference database of US white oak that can be used for authentication inside and outside of FSC

## Core reasons FSC has a fiber testing program

Benefits	Expectations
Corroboration of FSC claims	Create a stronger network of partners
Certificate holder satisfaction	Use technology to streamline FSC system, confirm claims, meet outside requests
Increase the credibility of the FSC system	Stakeholder support
Streamline investigations	Lower costs of compliance
Support the science of fiber testing	Provide access to the FSC Network of forests Contribute to open source reference libraries



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